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## A DOZEN FARES OF GROUND FISH

Give T Wharf Dealers All They Need To Supply the Demand.

Just a dozen fares of groundfish arrived at T wharf, Boston, during the night and five trips yesterday afternoon, so that the dealers had another good sized supply on hand today, which was ample to meet trade demands.

Sch. Frances S. Grueby, Capt. Enos Nickerson has 62,000 pounds, mostly haddock, which is the largest fare of the morning. Other fares are schs. Josephine DeCosta, 60,000 pounds; Sadie M. Nunan, 54,000 pounds; Terra Nova, 56,000 pounds; Ellen and Mary, 47,000 pound.

Yesterday afternoon, sch. Teazer, Capt. Peter Dunsy, arrived with 7000 pounds of halibut and 82,000 pounds of cod and cusk. Other trips were schs. W. M. Goodspeed, Ingomar, Gladys, and Nellie and Natalie J. Nelson.

Prices were down, haddock selling at \$1.50 to \$2.25 a hundred pounds, large cod, \$4 to \$6; market cod, \$2 to \$3.50; hake, \$1 to 1.50; pollock, \$4 to \$5 and cusk, \$2.50.

### Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are: Steamer Heroine, 14,000 haddock, 13,000 cod.

Sch. Josephine DeCosta, 55,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Sadie M. Nunan, 3000 haddock, 1000 cod, 50,000 hake.

Sch. Matchless, 10,000 haddock, 14,000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Laverna, 7000 haddock, 17,000 cod, 13,000 hake.

Sch. Mary Edith, 800 cod, 17,000 hake.

Sch. Rose Standish, 6000 pollock.

Sch. Terra Nova, 33,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 14,000 hake.

Sch. Juniata, 4000 haddock, 17,000 cod.

Sch. Pontiac, 30,000 haddock, 11,000 cod.

Sch. Ellen and Mary, 30,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 12,000 hake.

Sch. Georgiana, 3000 pollock.

Sch. Frances S. Grueby, 31,000 haddock, 24,000 cod, 7000 hake.

Sch. W. M. Goodspeed, 18,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. Teazer, 42,000 cod, 40,000 cusk, 7000 halibut.

Sch. Ingomar, 28,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 18,000 hake.

Sch. Gladys and Nellie, 20,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 9000 hake.

Sch. Natalie J. Nelson, 9000 haddock, 10,000 cod, 9000 hake.

Haddock, \$1.50 to \$2.25 per cwt.; large cod, \$4 to \$6; market cod, \$2 to \$3.50; hake, \$1 to \$1.50; pollock, \$4 to \$5; cusk, \$2.50.

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### Quick and Big Catch.

Sch. Loran B. Snow, Capt. Ansel Snow, which sailed from Digby for the fishing grounds a week ago Saturday night, returned to port Thursday with 80,000 pounds mixed fish, having been about four days. This is certainly a record trip among the Digby fishing fleet and probably from any other part of Nova Scotia. —Halifax Herald.

### The Smith Floated.

The two-masted sch. F. A. Smith which struck on Faun Bar and sank in Broad Sound, Boston Harbor, early Saturday morning while inward bound from Newburyport, and which was raised Sunday and beached on South Boston flats, is being patched. When the work is completed, she will be towed to the Barrett Manufacturing Company's pier at Everett to discharge 350 barrels of coal tar.

### Another Cold Storage Plant.

A corporation is being organized to build a general cold storage plant at Portland Me.. Several prominent fish merchants are interested in the new enterprise.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Senator Gardner, Richard and Judique were at Canso, N. S., Saturday and cleared for fishing.

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### Salt Mackerel Sale.

The salt mackerel fare of sch. Reliance sold to B. S. Snow & Co. at \$14 a barrel.

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## A BIG CATCH OF HERRING.

Yesterday was herring day at T wharf, Boston, and from almost every port on Cape Cod came a shipment of that fish. The Hunt Boys sent the largest single shipment, 700 barrels of the fish coming up from their traps. Altogether there were 1500 barrels of herring received during the morning from Cape ports. About 400 barrels were large fish and the rest small.

### French Sardine Catch Light.

The sardine catch in France continues deplorably bad and there seems to be no chance of improvement, says a New York importer. Prices for the few fresh fish landed are unreasonably high, and our packers in France believe that this season will show the poorest catch of sardines ever had on the French coast. In Portugal a few small fish are being caught, but only very small catches are reported and packers are unable to supply the demand. Market here is practically bare, and Portuguese sardines in poor good demand. Norway sardines continue in excellent demand. The catch in Norway is only fair. We have a cable reporting that the principal packers are trying to combine, so as to establish an advanced selling price, claiming that past seasons have yielded little or no profit to the packers.

### Trade In Goldfish.

A large trade in goldfish is now being carried on in Sicily, the coloring being obtained by keeping silverfish in water containing certain chemicals in the form of peat, chalk and iron. After a couple of weeks in this "mixture" the fish are transferred to another bath composed of iron and tan, which has the effect of coloring them red, or black and red, or black, red and silver—according to the length of time they are left in the solutions. These fish fetch a better price than the ordinary silverfish, found in large quantities in that region, but it is remarked that so far they die young. —Fishing Gazette.

### Nova Scotia Scallops.

It may not be known generally but scallops of a particularly fine flavor are to be found in Nova Scotia waters, says the Fishing Gazette. In Lunenburg County this rich and much sought after shellfish are found in good quantities and find a ready sale, both in the shell and canned. During the month of August over 200,000 were taken, valued at \$1,200. The best fishing grounds is in the vicinity of Lunenburg town, and the business is so profitable that much attention is being paid to the industry.

### English Fishing Colony For Pacific Coast.

Sir George Doughty, M. P., for Grimsby, England, is in Ottawa to interview Hon. J. D. Hazen, minister of marine, in behalf of a scheme to establish a colony of old country fishermen on the Pacific coast says an Ottawa despatch. The idea was originated by Earl Grey, former governor-general of Canada, the intention being to have the colony form the nucleus of a naval reserve as following the fishing industry.

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### Northern Fishing Over.

The Postmaster General Hon. H. J. B. Woods, of St. John's, N. F., received the following message from the mail officer of the Stella Maris Saturday: "Fishery over north; all schooners south of here." The message was sent by wireless to Fogo, thence on by the Postal lines.

### Fishing Fleet Movements.

Schs. Thalia and Helen G. Wells were at Wedgeport, N. S., recently, the former with 28,000 pounds of salt cod and the latter, 12,000 pounds.

Sch. Margaret was at Yarmouth Saturday.

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## MACKEREL HAULS ON CAPE SHORE

## Fish Schooling Halifax to Yarmouth Netters Doing Big Work.

A big body of mackerel is reported off the Nova Scotia shore, and the fishermen have been making some fine catches the past few days, according to reports received here this morning.

A telegram received by Capt. Reuben Cameron from Cape Island, states that the fish are schooling all the way from Halifax to Yarmouth and some of the netters have been taking as high as 2000 mackerel to a string of nets nightly.

That the fish may be found schooling off shore is the current belief of many of the skippers and it is not at all unlikely that some of the fleet will take a look down that way before hauling out of seining for the season.

### Portland Netters Doing Little.

In spite of unfavorable results at-

tending the mackerel fishery of late the fleet of druggers at Portland go out daily, hoping to make a catch. Out of the dozen which were outside yesterday, only two or three made enough to pay the grub bills, the majority not stocking enough to keep the men in tobacco. The little schooner W. H. Reed was high line of the fleet, having 125 fish, while most of the others had from one to three dozen each. Any vessel making a catch now would reap a harvest as the dealers are paying 14 1-2 cents per pound for the large fish. Sharks are showing up outside now in great numbers and the fishermen are afraid almost to put out their nets.

While tinkers have practically disappeared from Maine waters for the present, they are reported in considerable numbers to the westward.

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## LOSS OF LIFE AT NEWFOUNDLAND.

The toll of the sea in human life has been very large this year, and Newfoundland has paid more than her share in the general tribute, says the St. John's, N. F., Trade Review. In the early part of the year the Erna, the Grace, the Beatrice, the Dorothy Louise, the Reliance, the Arkansas and Aureola were lost with those on board, numbering as follows. Erna, 35; Grace, 6; Beatrice, 5; Dorothy Louise, 6; Reliance, 7; Arkansas, 6; Aureola, 8. This gives a total of 73, most of whom had families depending on them, and for whom the public subscription which is about closing has been raised. Since then seven persons have been lost on Labrador and one at least from a steamer plying between this port and Montreal.

It has been handed down that the most terrific gale ever experienced in Newfoundland occurred on the 12th of September, 1775, which resulted in the loss of about 1,000 vessels and small boats along Newfoundland shores, as well as the loss of 400 people at Northern Bay, Bay de Verde district. Of course there was also loss of life on other parts of our shores. Between that and 1867 there was also a great loss of life and property, but on the 9th of October of the above year occurred one of the greatest disasters in the history of Newfoundland. In 1867 there were 37 lives and 27 vessels lost on the Labrador, and the famous sea-killer, Capt. William Jackman, was instrumental in saving 127 lives at Spotted Islands.

About the year 1835 there was also another terrific hurricane on the Labrador, and we think it was this year that 43 lives were lost at the White Bear Islands, when King's schooner was lost there. The topsail schooner Release, Capt. Richard Hayden was also lost at the same time and place. There was also great disaster on other parts of the Labrador coast. We may here mention that this same schooner held the record for the quickest passage to and from Barbados in the 60s. She was under the command of Capt. Thomas Kehoe, of this port. The present year has also been very disastrous to our fishermen on Labrador. It has been estimated that about 20 sailing vessels and several lives have been lost, as well as large quantities of fish and fishing gear. This gale occurred on the 6th inst.

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### MAY TRY TO FIND SHOAL SPOT.

Hydrographic Office Will Probably Make Survey Near Nantucket.

A survey of the sea bottom to the eastward of Nantucket may be made by the United States Hydrographic department as the result of the grounding of the German steamer Bosnia on her last trip from Boston to Baltimore and Hamburg. The Bosnia arrived from Hamburg Monday and Tuesday and Lieutenant B. W. Fuller, U. S. N., had a conference with Captain Schmidt regarding the location of the shoal spot on which the big freighter was hung up for three hours. According to Capt. Schmidt's reckoning the shoal spot is approximately in latitude 41 degrees, 21 minutes north and longitude 69 degrees, 29 minutes west. According to the government chart, the water there is nineteen fathoms, or 114 feet deep. When she grounded, the Bosnia was drawing 24 feet 8 inches, and she struck in 22½ feet. On April 15, 1910, the British steamer Chelston grounded in the vicinity and a lighthouse tender was despatched for the purpose of making soundings. The shoal spot was not located, and consequently there was some doubt as to its existence. The accident to the Bosnia, however, makes it plain that the danger spot is there.

### Portland Fish Notes.

Practically no fish were received at Portland Tuesday, for the large amount received the day before was more than enough of hake for the local trade. The greater part of the Portland fleet is now fitting to go dragging or trawling for haddock.

Nearly a hundred barrels of medium sized herring were landed Tuesday. The steamer Elthier had 63 barrels and 30 more barrels were landed from the traps. All were placed in the freezers of the Portland Cold Storage Company.

### St. John's, N. F., Fish Market.

Large, medium and small merchantable, \$5.50; large, medium and small Madeira, \$5 to \$5.50; large and small West India, \$3.50 to \$4; Labrador, \$4; Labrador, shore cured, none; haddock per cwt. \$3; herring, per barrel, No. 1, large, \$3; herring, per barrel, No. 1, medium, \$2.80; salmon No. 1, large, per tierce, \$18; salmon, No. 1, small, per tierce, \$14; lobsters, per case, No. 1, pound tins, \$18.50; cod oil, per tun, hardwood packages, \$75; cod oil, per tun softwood packages \$70.

### More Gill Netters Arrive.

Two more gasoline fishing boats from Lake Michigan have arrived to engage in gill netting. They are the steamers Hugo and Mary D., both boats having been shipped over the road from Buffalo, on account of the Erie Canal being closed. In Boston the boats were launched again and proceeded here under their own power.

Two of the large lake fishing tugs are due to leave shortly by the way of the St. Lawrence and will also join the local gill netting fleet.



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## NOTHING HERE FROM OFF SHORE.

### Torchers Did Fairly Well Last Night Landing 140 Barrels of Herring.

It was a very quiet morning along the water front today, not an off shore arrival of any description arriving since yesterday afternoon or during the night.

Three of the gasliners struck some bluebacks yesterday, the Beatrice E. Jopplate and Alice each landing 50 barrels.

The torchers did fairly well again last night, 140 barrels of herring being brought in by the boats.

Sch. Alert arrived from seining during the forenoon with 120 barrels of salt mackerel.

#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Ingomar, via Boston.  
Steamer Jopplate, seining, 50 bbls. bluebacks.  
Steamer Alice, seining, 50 bbls. bluebacks.  
Steamer Beatrice E., seining, 50 bbls. bluebacks.  
Torchers, 140 bbls. fresh herring.  
Sch. Alert, seining, 120 bbls. salt mackerel.  
Sch. Teazer, via Boston, 7000 lbs. salt cod.

#### Vessels Sailed.

Steamer Bessie M. Dugan, Boston.  
Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, haddocking.  
Sch. Belbina P. Domingoes, haddocking.  
Sch. Jorgina, haddocking.  
Sch. Frances V. Sylvia, haddocking.  
Sch. Florida, seining.  
Sch. Diana, seining.  
Sch. Yakima, halibuting.  
Sch. Emily Sears, shore.  
Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.  
Sch. Esther Gray, shore.  
Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.  
Sch. Blanche F. Irving, shore.  
Sch. Motor, shore.

#### TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

##### Salt Fish.

Trawl bank cod, large, \$ 3.62 1-2; medium, \$3.12 1-2; snappers, \$2.  
Handline Georges codfish, large, \$4.25 per cwt.; medium, \$3.75; snappers, \$2.50.  
Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$3.50; mediums, \$3; snappers, \$2.  
Dory handlining codfish, large, \$3.75; medium, \$3.25; snappers, \$2.25.  
Georges halibut codfish, large, \$4; mediums, \$3.25.  
Drift codfish, large, \$4; mediums, \$3.62 1-2.  
Cusk, large, \$2.25; mediums, \$1.75; snappers, \$1.25.  
Haddock, \$1.50.  
Pollock, \$1.50.  
Hake, \$1.50.  
Large salt mackerel, \$25 per bbl.; small, \$14 per bbl.  
Fetched halibut, 10c per lb.

##### Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1 per cwt.  
Eastern cod, large, \$2; medium, \$1.75; snappers, 75c.  
Western cod, large, \$2.15; mediums, \$1.80; snappers, 75c.  
All codfish not gilled 10c per 100 pounds less than the above.  
Hake, 85 cts.  
Cusk, large, \$1.30; medium, \$1; snappers, 50c.  
Dressed pollock, 80c.; round, 70c.  
Bank halibut, 12c per lb. for white, 9 3-4c per lb. for gray.  
Fresh mackerel, 25 cts. for large, 18 cts. for medium, 5 cts. per lb. for tinkers.  
Fresh bluebacks, \$2 to \$2.25 per bbl. for bait; \$1.25 per bbl. to freezer; 66 cts. per bbl. for oil.  
Fresh porgies, \$1.25 per bbl. for bait; 75c per bbl. for oil.  
Fresh herring, \$1.50 per bbl. to freezer; \$2.50 per bbl. for bait.

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#### Lucania Putting on Dories.

Sch. Lucania, Capt. Martin J. Welch, has abandoned seining and will now put on dories and engage in haddocking.

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## GOOD PRICES QUOTED TODAY.

### The Five Arrivals at T Wharf Today Have Mostly Fair Catches.

Boston's fish story like that of this port was a brief one this morning, five new arrivals being reported since yesterday.

Sch. Louisa R. Silva had 35,000 pounds and sch. Juno, 60,000 pounds, the latter's fare being mostly haddock and cod. Yesterday afternoon sch. Jessie Costa arrived with 48,000 pounds and sch. Annie Perry with 30,000 pounds. Two small pollock fares are included in this morning's receipts, sch. Appomattox having 12,000 pounds and sch. Viking, 35,000 pounds.

Haddock sold at \$2.50 to \$3.30 a hundred pounds, large cod, \$4 to \$4.50; market cod, \$2 to \$2.50; hake, \$1 to \$1.50 and pollock, \$2.75 to \$3.

#### Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are:

Sch. Jessie Costa, 23,000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 14,000 hake.  
Sch. Annie Perry, 13,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 11,000 hake.  
Sch. Louisa R. Sylvia, 11,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 15,000 hake.  
Sch. Juno, 30,000 haddock, 30,000 cod.  
Sch. Mary Edith, 17,000 hake.  
Sch. Appomattox, 12,000 pollock.  
Sch. Viking, 3500 pollock.  
Haddock, \$2.50 to \$3.30 per cwt.; large cod, \$4 to 4.50; market cod, \$2 to \$2.50; hake, \$1 to \$1.50; pollock, \$2.75 to \$3.

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## NEVER SAW THE LIKE BEFORE.

### Say Fishermen in Letters About Mackerel Now in North Bay.

The report of large schools of mackerel around Eastern Point of Prince Edward Island and up the north side as far as Second Chapel and of big catches made by the Provincial fishermen has been verified by letters received here from Souris and other places on the island.

Capt. Campbell Peart said he saw a letter yesterday from a man down there who bought a vessel some years ago at this place, which stated that the water for 20 miles south of Eastern Point and up the north side was alive with mackerel and had been alive with mackerel for more than two weeks and that the boat fishermen made large catches whenever they went out. In fact the whole bay from Bank Bradley appeared to be alive with the fish, and the oldest person down there did not remember seeing anything like it before. There were no vessels in North Bay fishing for mackerel as had been the case 40 or 50 years ago, when 400 or 500 sail were carrying on their operations with hook and line at that time.

There are those living here who well remember leaving here in October, going to North Bay, and returning with a full fare of those delectable fish. Capt. Sylvanus Smith, one of the hustlers and highliners in the mackerel fishing of that time, could doubtless verify this statement.

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#### Fine Stock.

Sch. Governor Foss, Capt. Fred Thompson, stocked \$3100 on her recent 18 days' halibut trip, the crew sharing \$73

#### Going Haddocking.

Capt. Christopher Gibbs is fitting sch. Lillian for haddocking.

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#### SARDINE PRICES CUT.

### Seacoast Packing Co., Forces Outside Parties to Meet Competition.

Prices on new pack domestic sardines are now the lowest in years. Definite announcement of a big cut was made in the New York market Monday by the principal selling interests. The new low basis was named by the Seacoast Cannery company, and all outside interests were forced to meet the competition set up. At the level to which the market settled during the day prices were: Kentucky 1-4 oils, \$2.17 1-2; keyless, 1-4 oils, \$2; key 1-4 mustards, \$2.17 1-2 @ \$2.40; keyless, 1-4 mustards, 2, and key 3-4 mustard, \$1.90. So far no packer is offering except subject to confiscation.

Behind the cut is a story of competition and alleged unbusiness-like methods adopted by small packers to market both old and new goods. The large interests are credited with having stood the pace set by competitors as long as possible, and then determined upon a crusade that promises to make unprofitable all selling operations for the balance of the season. A large business has been done in the last two days for the south and southwest.

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## LATE TRIPS TO THE NORTH BAY.

### Capt. Sylvanus Smith Talks Interestingly About Some That He Remembers.

The article in yesterday's Times recalling the balmy days of the mackerel fishery in the North Bay brings to mind many fond reminiscences among the few surviving skippers and fishermen of the famous fleet of hockers that used to sail out of here.

Capt. Sylvanus Smith, who was perhaps about as successful a skipper as ever went to the Bay, can tell many an interesting tale of those good old days. Speaking of the reference in yesterday's Times of some of the late trips to the Bay, Capt. Smith gave the following very interesting interview:

"In the year of 1852 I left Gloucester the fourth of October for the Bay of St. Lawrence (we had been fishing on the shore, finding mackerel very scarce.)

"We had a good passage down, meeting the vessels at Port Hood. They had not been doing much, so we went down the Cape Breton shore to Margaree or Sea Wolf Island, and then to Cheticamp, where we met Capt. John Parker. He had been fired upon by the Barge station at Margaree Island. I remember that he was in the sch. William Babson.

"He stopped there but a short time, leaving for home, while we lingered on until we had filled most of our barrels, some two hundred, I think. The vessel I was then in, the sch. R. C. Parsons, was a small craft and would not be thought much of in these days.

"We left Cheticamp and went to Port Hood on our passage home, our barrels mostly full. We met Capt. Reed, in the sch. B. H. Corlies, Lufkin in the sch. Henrietta, Beeman in the sch. E. W. Merchant and George McIntire (I do not remember the vessel he was in.)

"The three first named had just come from home and had made no try for mackerel. We started the next morning for home and had a fine run, arriving home, fitting for Georges, and were outward bound in seven days from the time we left Port Hood. We arrived home from Georges, Thanksgiving Day.

"The vessels that I left at Port Hood were kept in by a strong easterly several days, and when it moderated they started down the shore for Margaree Island. The fishing boats there said that Broad Cove had been full of mackerel for a week. The vessels did not arrive in time to do any fishing that day, but the next, in a strong north wind, anchored in the lee of the island, they caught from 70 to 90 barrels each. Then there came a strong northeast wind and a snow storm and the fleet all left for home, the 15th day of November, arriving in Gloucester the same day, Thanksgiving, that I arrived from 'Georges.'"

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#### Portland Fishing News.

Something will shortly be doing in the fishing line judging from the fleet of vessels fitting out at Central wharf yesterday for haddocking. All of the vessels lately engaged in swordfishing are now changing their gear and will start out in a few days. Among the fleet fitting out Tuesday were the schooners Albert W. Black, Edmund F. Black, George H. Lube, Topsail Girl, Albert D. Willard, James and Esther, Watauga and Angie B. Watson. Haddock have not truck in lately, about all the fish being in of late having been hake, but over a dozen haddock having been found in the 40,000 pound catch brought in on Sunday by the schooner Angie B. Watson.

Large herring have been reported in the vicinity of Richmond's island so practically the whole of the Portland fleet went there Wednesday. It is expected they may bring in a big catch today if a school recently reported has not appeared.

A few more barrels of medium sized herring were landed Wednesday. The steamer hier had 23 barrels and the steam Pet had 25 barrels. All were placed in the Portland Cold Storage Co.

Though none largest in point of numbers the rip of the Katie L. Palmer landed Monday was about the largest average of swordfish of the season. She had 25 and they averaged 265 pads each, which is regarded as very high figure. The whole fare as sold to the F. S. Willard Co. for 11 cents a pound. The schooner has been absent from Portland for weeks.

The small fishermen of Casco bay are receiving good money for their fares by sending them to New York. Many of them have got as high as 8 cents a pound clear for the little shiny fish and they have made a comfortable penny as a result.

Up to the present time, the smelts have not been running as well as usual.

The biggest day of last year saw 108 boxes brought up from down the bay, while this year the largest receipt has been 71 boxes. The fish, too, are smaller than usual.

The tide is hardly favorable for the fishermen at present, but when it does turn in their favor, the catch is expected to be larger and better.

#### St. John's Cod Market Notes.

A considerable quantity of dry codfish found its way into St. John's, N. F., last week, but most of it was bought in the outports by agents of St. John's firms, and sent in for repacking and transhipment, says the Trade Review. This means that the fishermen themselves have not as yet brought along much of their voyage to this city. By staying at home they have shown considerable wisdom, because the competition amongst agents in the outports has enabled the fishermen to get prices for their goods that they could not get in St. John's at present for the same article. The price given by outport agents on the ground has not been, by any means, too high, if the fish were first class quality, but, unfortunately, most of it is poorly cured owing entirely to the absence of proper weather. The most of the fish merchants in St. John's are not displaying their usual keenness to buy. They have evidently decided to go slow till the first fish (most of which is poorly made) is absorbed by somebody else before entering the market for their requirements. Though the whole of the summer season was extremely bad for fish curing, the latter caught article had a little more sunshine during its cure, and will be good, sound and well-made goods when it comes to hand. The basis of purchase at present is neither talqual nor cull. Every parcel that comes along is taken on its individual merits and no two houses are giving exactly the same figures. Undoubtedly the talqual system has broken down, and we'll have to get back by culling again.

#### Veteran Fish Dealer Sells Out.

William H. Kennedy, fish dealer of Custom House wharf, had a day of rest Tuesday. He will have several more in the future for he has gone out of the fish business.

Of all the men in this line of work, Mr. Kennedy is the veteran of the waterfront. For 40 years he has been engaged in the industry. During the first 15 of those, he worked for others and for a quarter of a century he has been in business for himself. Now he has sold out his business to Dana Hamilton of Custom House wharf and the veteran dealer will take life easy so far as possible.

"The first day I have loafed for 40 years," he told his friends Tuesday, and they congratulated him on his enterprise for four decades.—Portland Daily Press.